

Assembly Bill No. 1117

CHAPTER 131

An act to amend Section 8555 of the Public Resources Code, relating to grazing lands.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1117, Matthews. Grazing lands: payments.

Existing law requires specified money, related to grazing lands, received by the state from the United States to be deposited in the United States Grazing Fees Fund in the State Treasury. Existing law requires that money be paid to counties in which specified grazing lands or districts are situated in the proportion to the area of the parcel or district situated in the county bears to the total area of the parcel or district, as specified.

This bill would, instead, require the payments to each county from the receipts of any given parcel of grazing lands or of any grazing district be allocated in accordance with a payment schedule that distributes the payments in the same manner and basis upon which the fees were collected, as officially established by the United States Secretary of the Interior.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 8555 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:

8555. All moneys received by the State of California from the government of the United States pursuant to the act referred to in Section 8551, or pursuant to any other act of Congress providing for the distribution and payment to states and territories of a fixed and definite percentage of the moneys received by the government of the United States from grazing lands or districts acquired or established therein by the government of the United States or by any officer or instrumentality thereof, shall, on order of the Controller, be deposited in the United States Grazing Fees Fund, which is hereby established in the State Treasury. That money shall be disposed of, in accordance with the terms of that act of Congress, by the payment of that money to the counties in which those grazing lands or districts are situated. The payments made to each county from the receipts of any given parcel of grazing lands or

of any grazing district shall be allocated in accordance with a payment schedule that distributes the payments in the same manner and basis upon which the fees were collected, as officially established by the Secretary of the Interior or other authorized official of the government of the United States.

